San Jose to Merced High-Speed Train Project EIR/EIS

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California High-Speed Rail Authority

Public Meeting



CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED TRAIN SYSTEM



- Provide a new mode of highspeed intercity travel to link major metropolitan areas
- Forecasted to carry as many as 100 million passengers annually by the year 2035
- 800-mile system with stations built to allow for express service
- Service linking the San Francisco Bay Area, Central Valley and Southern California
- 100% clean electric power
- Estimated travel time from San Francisco to Los Angeles: less than 2 hours 40 minutes



WHY WE NEED HIGH-SPEED RAIL





JOBS

- 600,000 full-time, one-year, construction-related job-equivalents
- 5,000 permanent operations and maintenance jobs
- 450,000 economy-wide jobs by
 2035

MOBILITY

• "Economic power is how fast you move people and goods around the state."

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, January 15, 2008

ENVIRONMENT

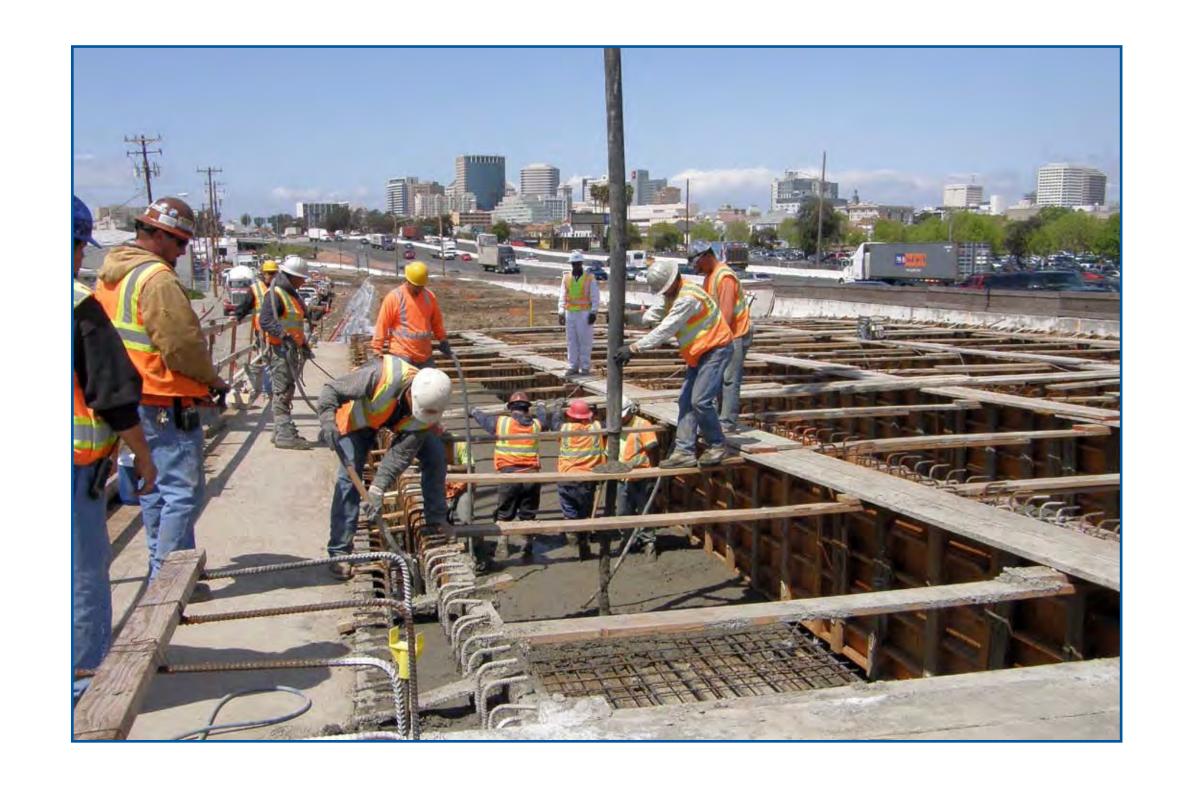
- Reduced greenhouse gases
- AB 32: California's 2006 landmark legislation to reduce greenhouse gas emissions 25% by 2020
- Population Growth
- California's population now: 38 million

By 2035: 50 million





WHY WE NEED HIGH-SPEED RAIL





We can build...

 New freeways, airport runways and more departure gates to address our expected population growth

or

We can achieve...

 An 800-mile high-speed train system, powered by 100% renewable electricity generated by clean wind and solar energy







PROJECT FUNDING

PROJECTED OVERALL STATEWIDE CONSTRUCTION COST: \$42.6 BILLION

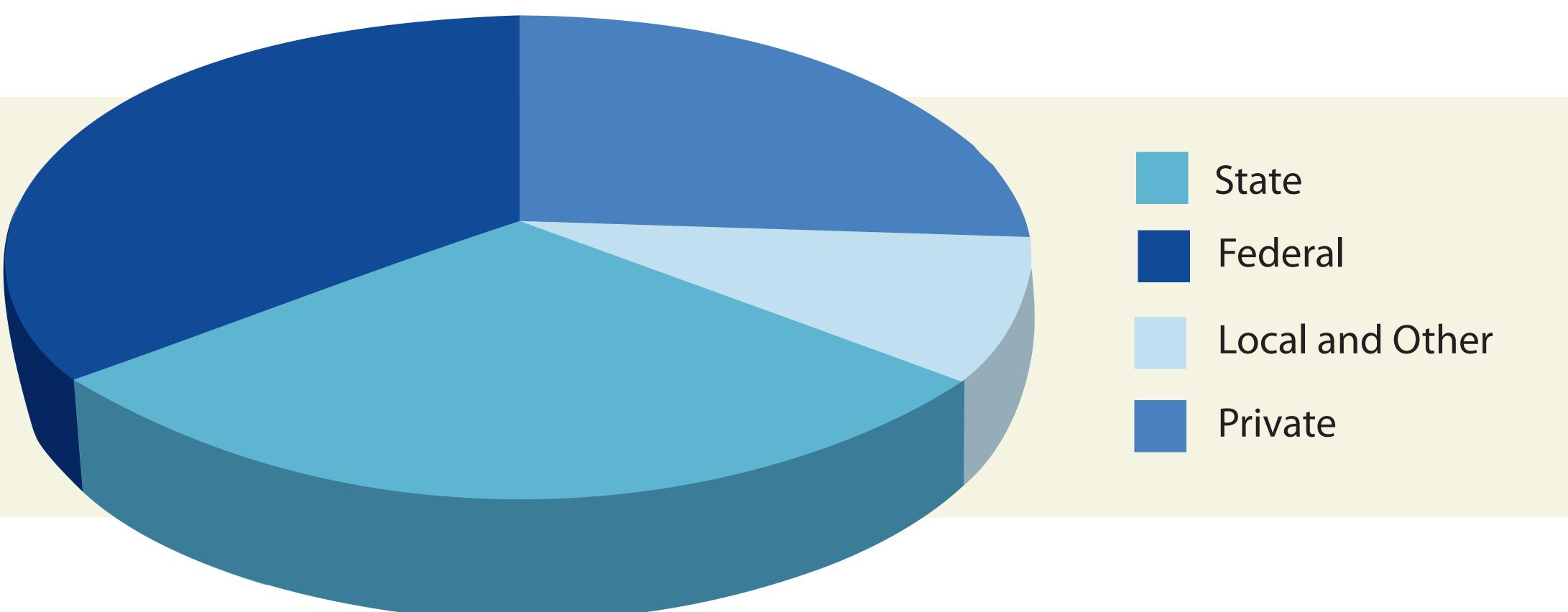
(Anticipated funding sources)

California Funding: \$9B

Federal Funding: \$17-19B

Local Funding: \$4-5B

Private Investment: \$10-12B





INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 2012 STARTING IN THE CENTRAL VALLEY

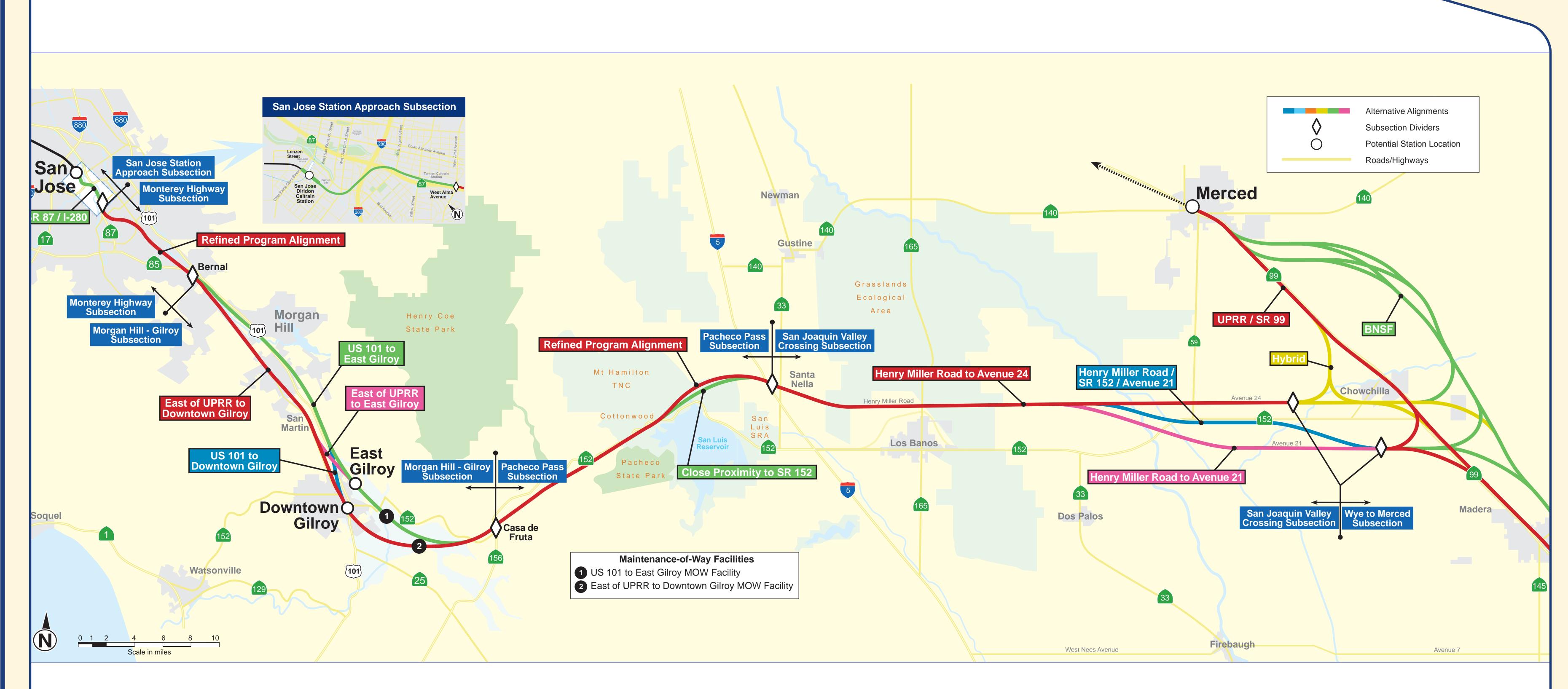
THE FOUNDATION FOR TRUE HIGH-SPEED RAIL

- Only segment where trains will travel at 220-mph maximum operating speed for long stretches
 - Allowing the 2 hr 40 min trip between Los Angeles and San Francisco
- Initial track in the Central Valley will serve as testing and proving ground for new high-speed train technology in the U.S.
- Technically simpler engineering than urban developed areas, majority at-grade in rural areas.





SAN JOSE TO MERCED SECTION ALIGNMENT ALTERNATIVES (AS OF MAY 2011)



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SAN JOSE-MERCED SIMULATIONS



Downtown Gilroy (6th St.)

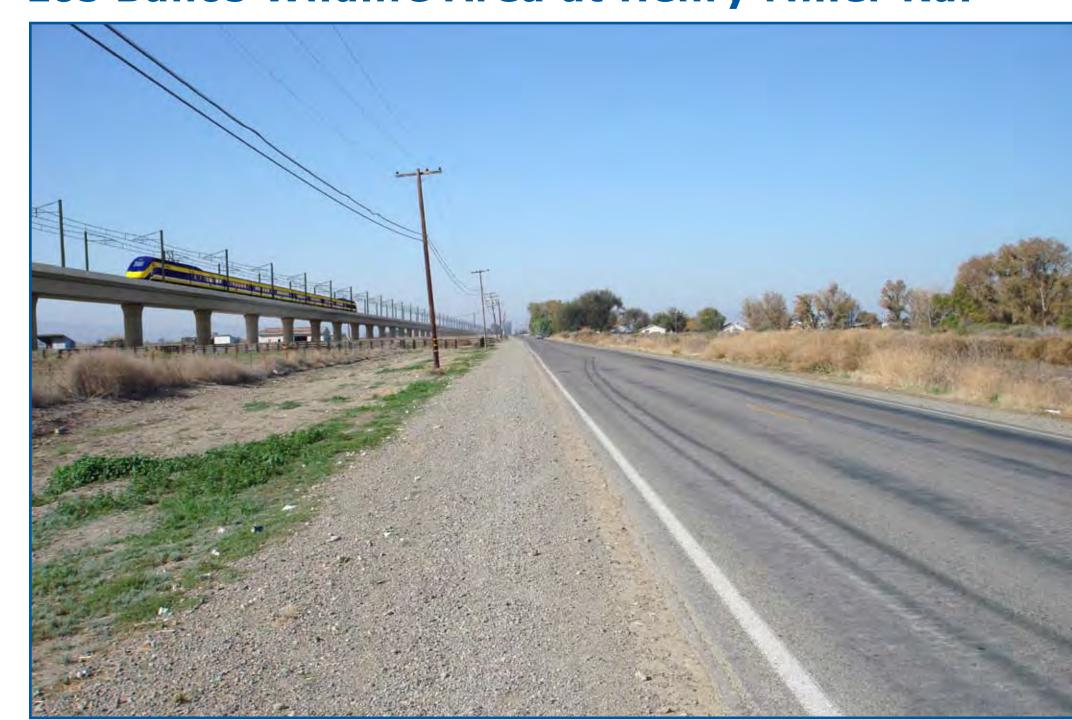






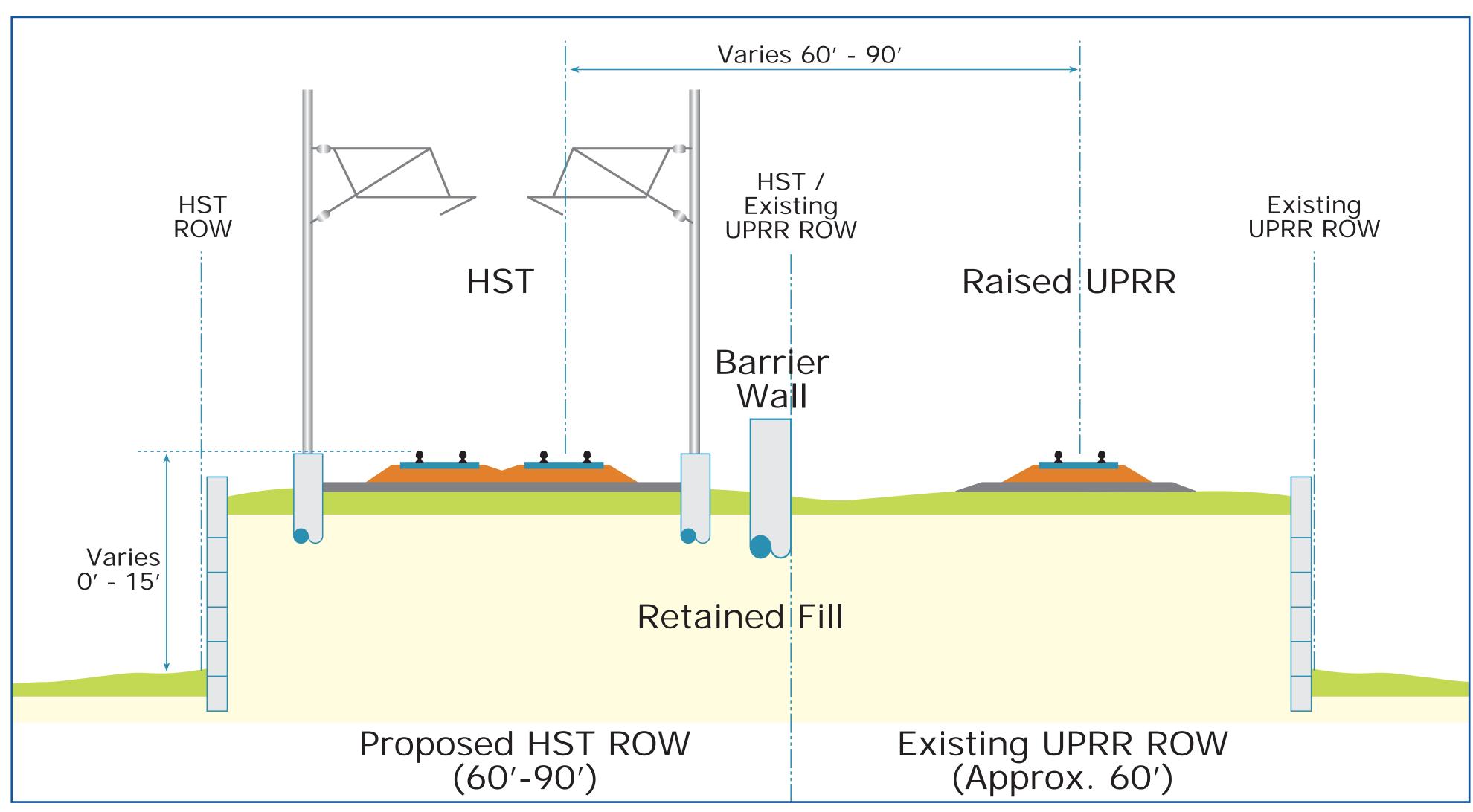
Monterey Rd.

Los Banos Wildlife Area at Henry Miller Rd.

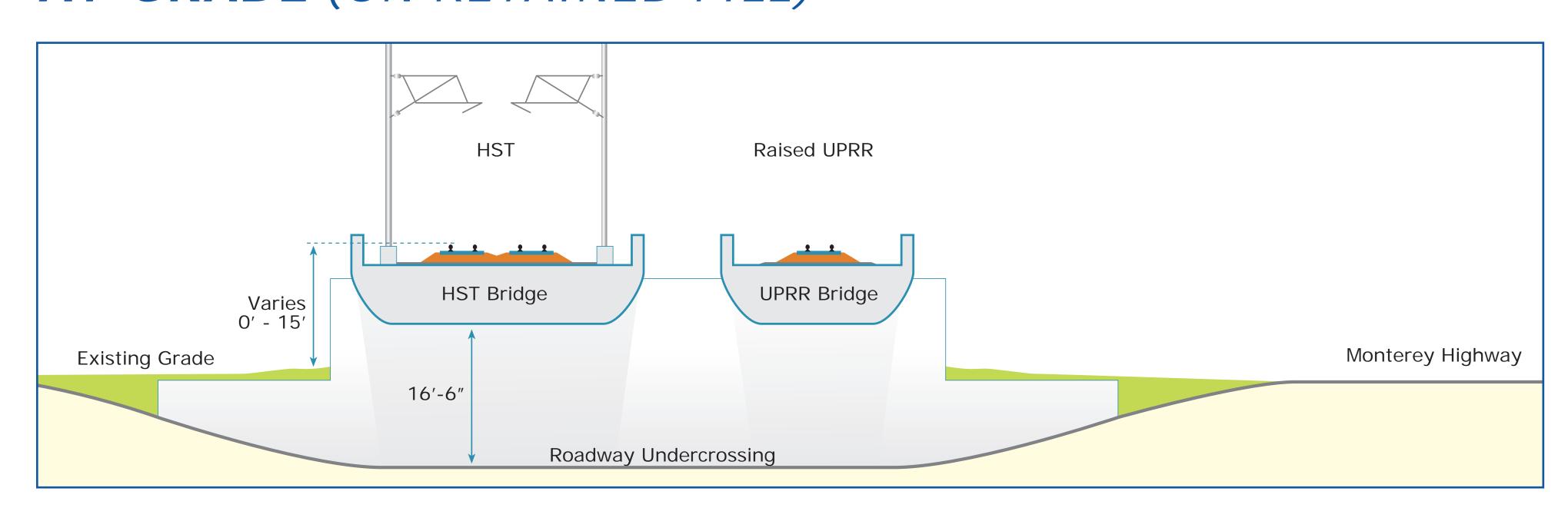




TYPICAL SECTIONS ALONG ALIGNMENT



AT-GRADE (ON RETAINED FILL)

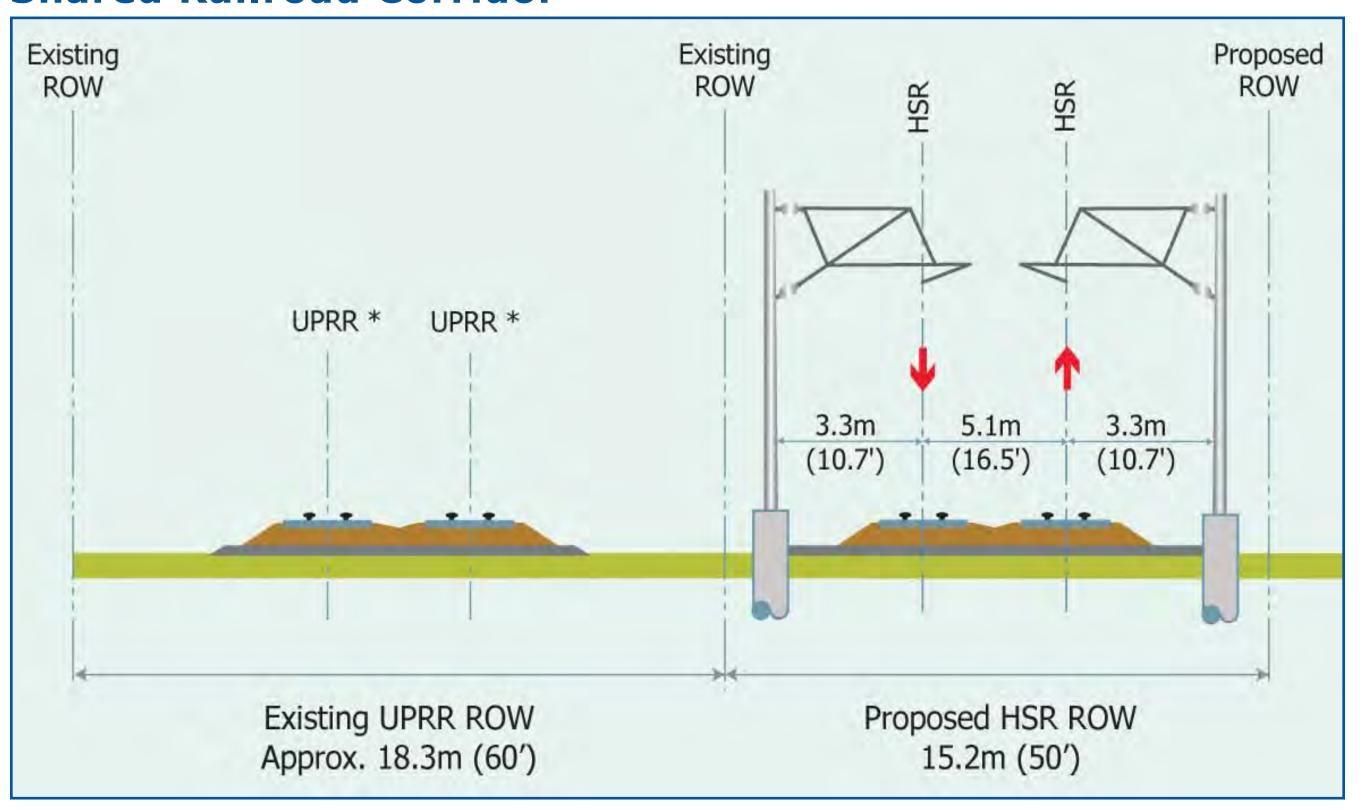


ROADWAY UNDERCROSSING



TYPICAL SECTIONS ALONG ALIGNMENT

Shared Railroad Corridor

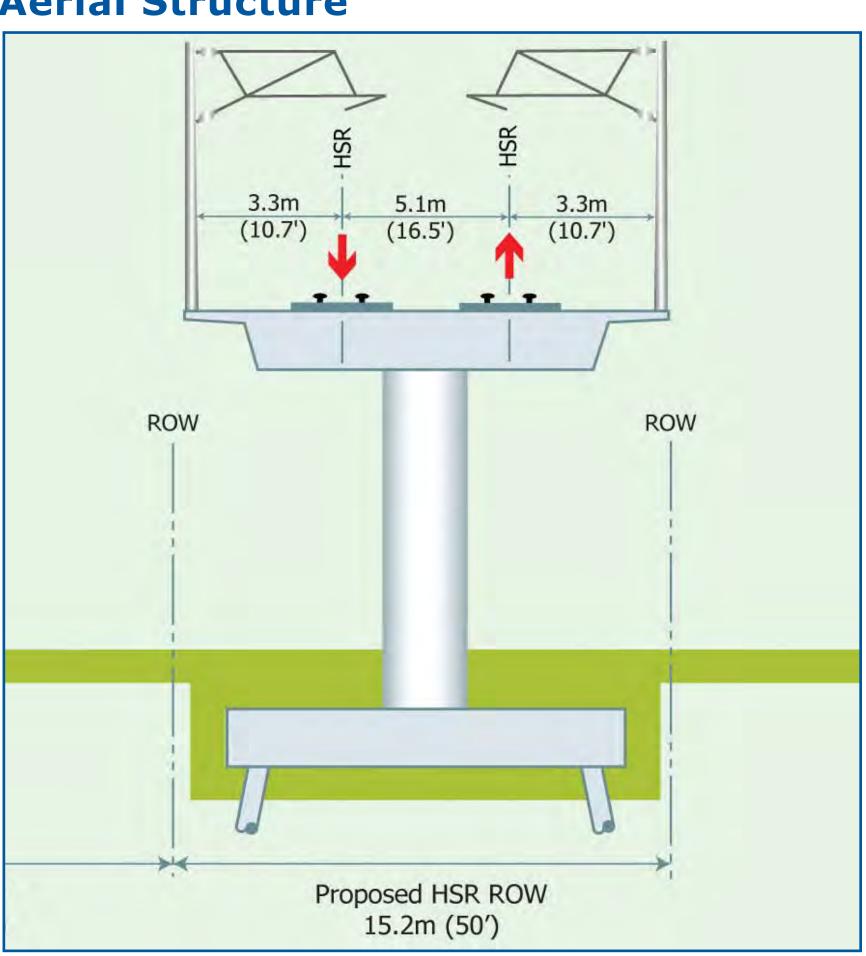


Portions of the alignment will need special structures to fit into the built environment

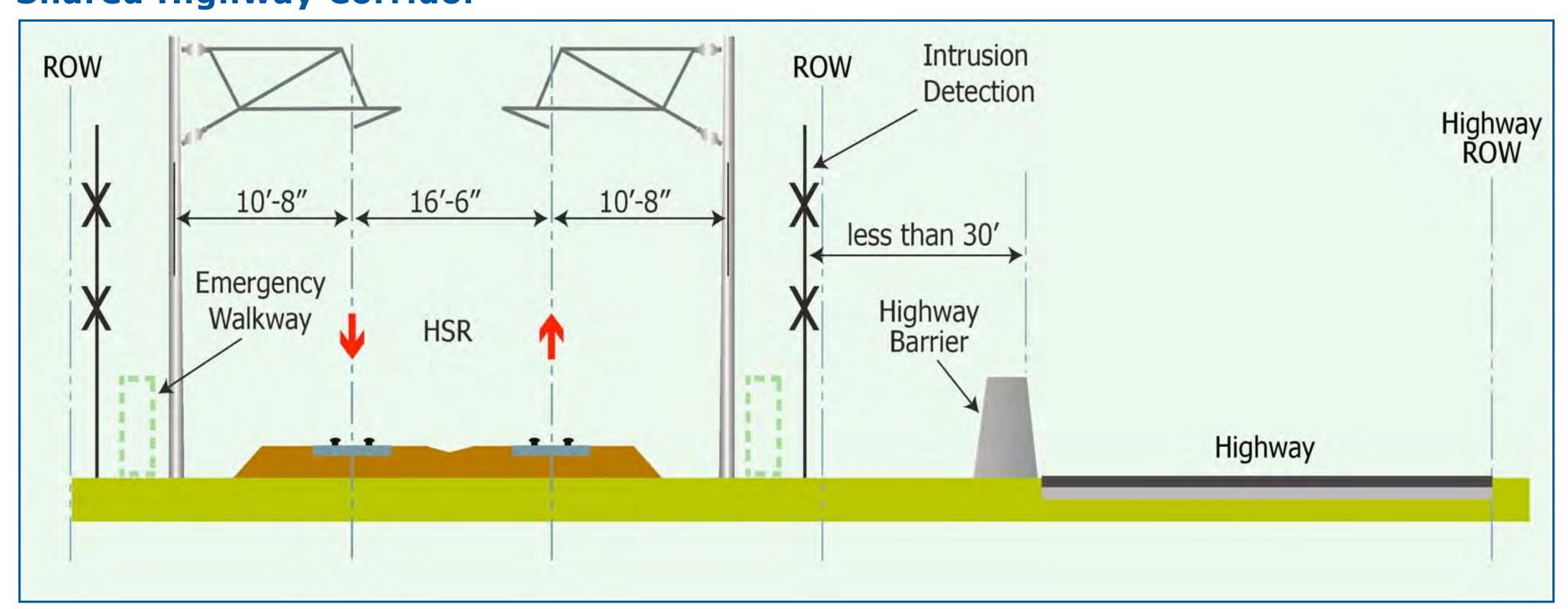
Structures could include:

- Aerial structures
- At-grade
- Trenches

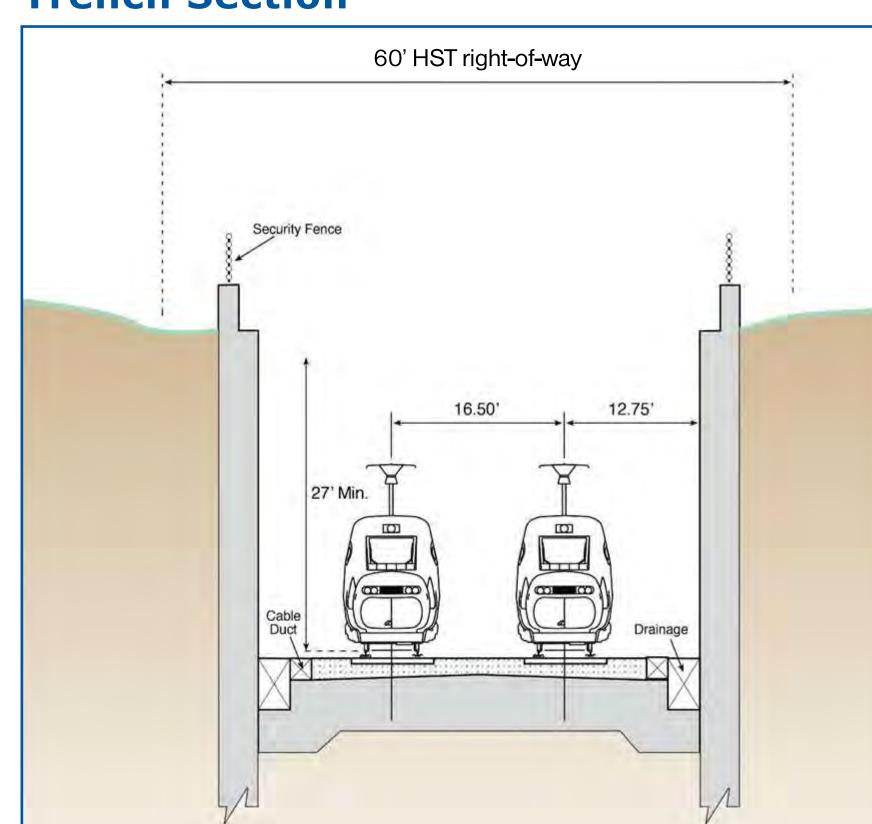
Aerial Structure



Shared Highway Corridor

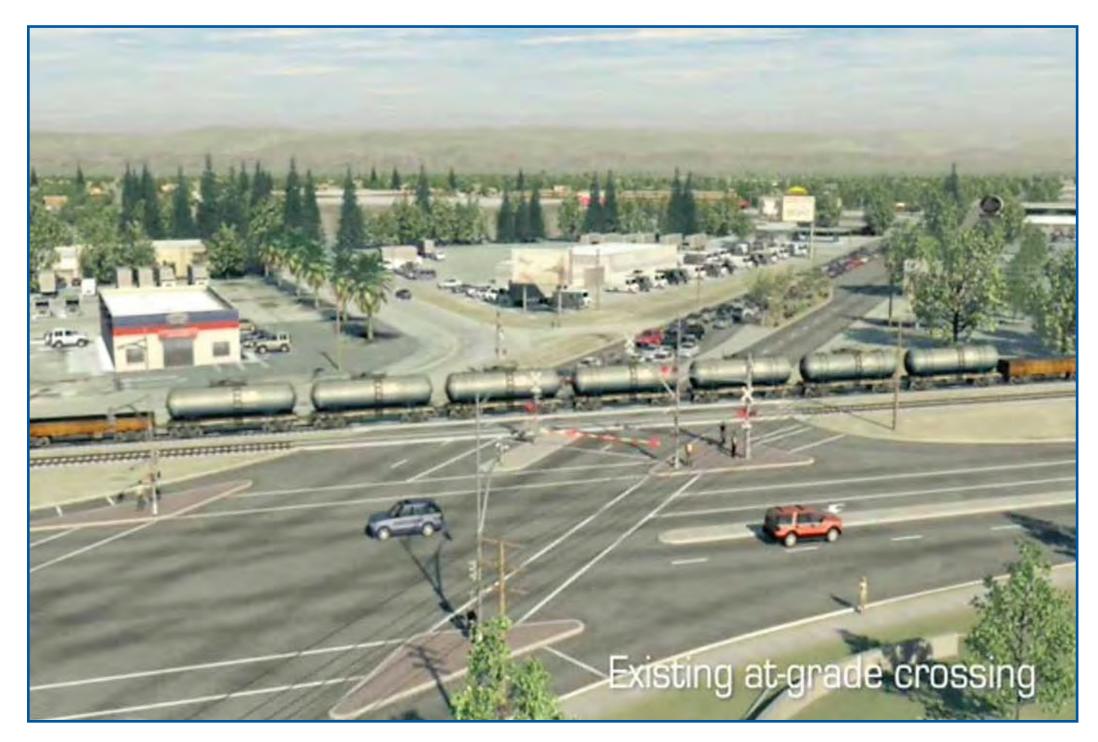


Trench Section





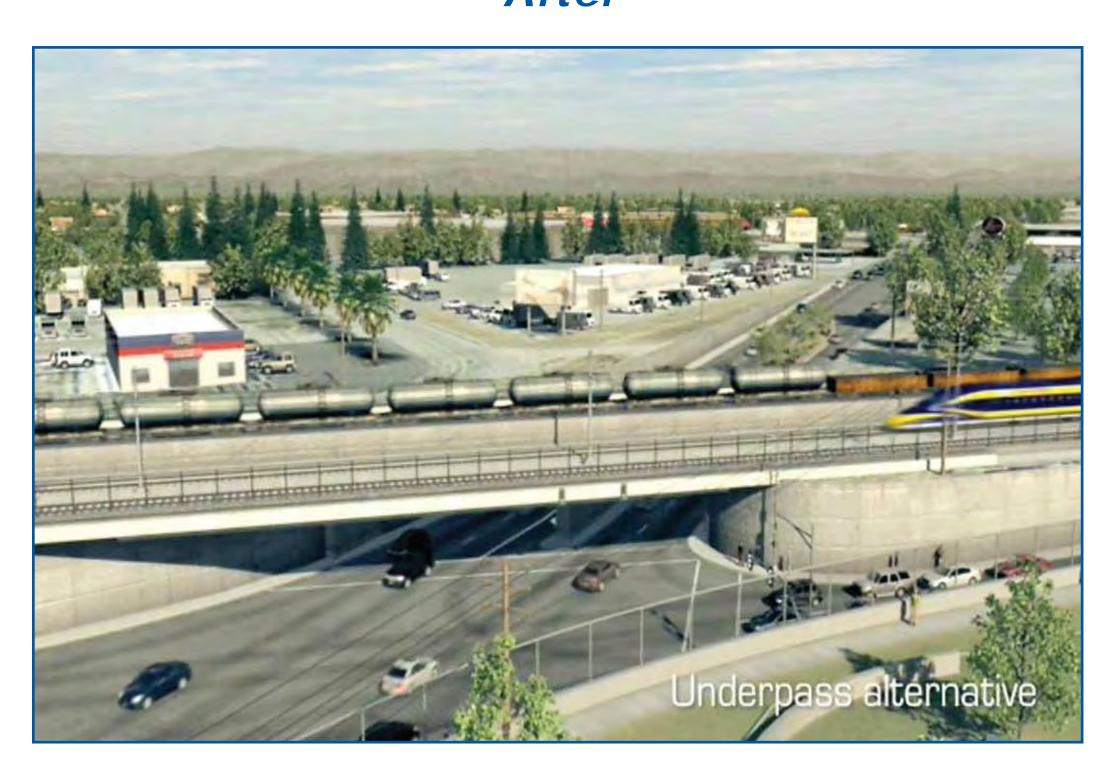
GRADE SEPARATIONS



Before

Typical Underpass

After

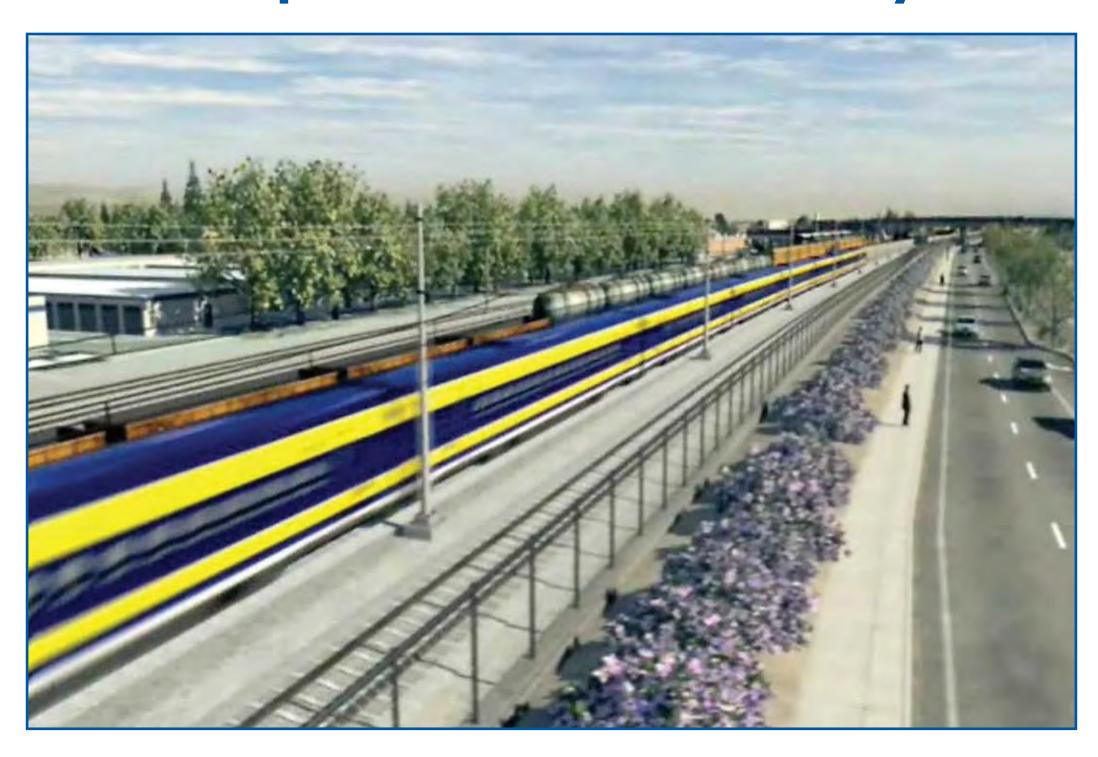


- Grade separations are underpasses and overpasses where roadways cross railroad tracks
- Grade separations reduce congestion and noise and improve safety
- California High-Speed Train tracks will be gradeseparated from adjacent roadways

Typical Overpass



Grade Separated from Roadway





PACHECO PASS SUBSECTION



- Close Proximity to SR 152 Alignment Alternative
- Refined
 Program
 Alignment
 Alternative
- Both alignments were refined for potential landslide areas in the western portion of the Pacheco Pass

*Alignments subject to change



Morgan Hill - Gilroy Subsection





MORGAN HILL - GILROY SUBSECTION

ALTERNATIVES

Recommended alternatives to carry forward (additional alternatives shown in **bold**):

- East of UPRR to Downtown Gilroy Alignment Alternative
 - Design options in Morgan Hill: aerial,
 at-grade
 - Design options in Downtown Gilroy: aerial, open trench, at-grade, partially covered trench
- East of UPRR to East Gilroy Alignment Alternative
 - Design options in Morgan Hill: aerial,
 at-grade
 - Design options in East Gilroy Station area: at-grade, aerial
- US 101 to Downtown Gilroy Alignment Alternative
 - Design options in Downtown Gilroy: aerial, open trench, at-grade, partially covered trench
- US 101 to Gilroy Alignment Alternative
 - Design options in East Gilroy Station area: at-grade, aerial in station area

STATIONS

Recommended stations to carry forward (additional alternatives shown in **bold**):

- Gilroy Downtown Station
 - Design options: aerial, trench, partially covered trench, at-grade
- East Gilroy Station
 - Design options: at-grade, aerial in station area



STATION DESIGN PROCESS





California High-Speed Rail Authority
Station Responsibilities

City of Gilroy Station Visioning Process

• Provide a functional station and related infrastructure

• Study pros/cons of the Downtown Gilroy and East Gilroy potential station locations

• Design a functional station sensitive to its surroundings

 Provide a recommendation to the Authority on where the Gilroy station should be located

Provide recommendations for parking

• Provide a land use and transportation framework for each station

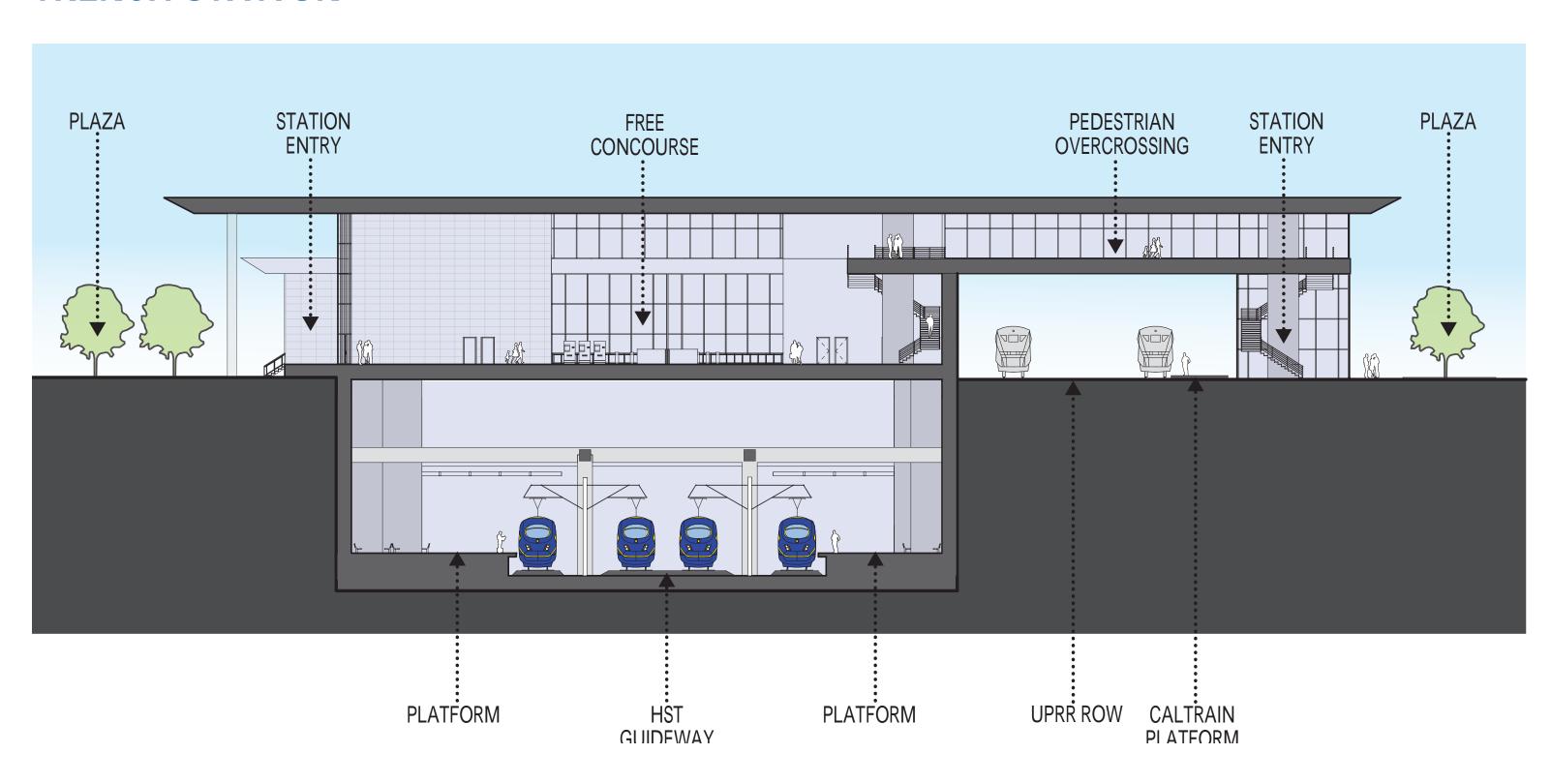
• Identify potential impacts and mitigation measures for each station option (Draft EIR/EIS)

Provide a framework for a Station
 Area Plan for the preferred station

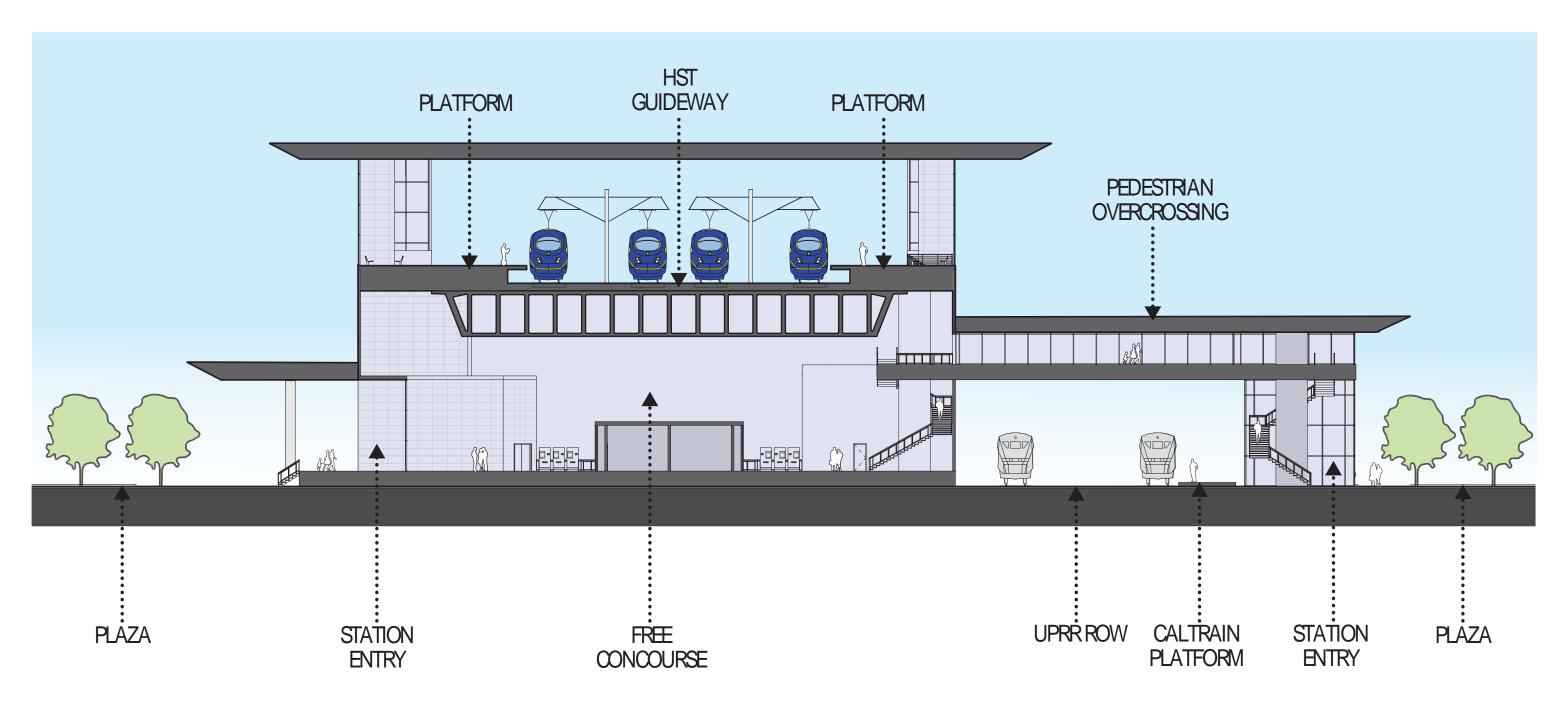


DOWNTOWN GILROY STATION-DESIGN OPTIONS

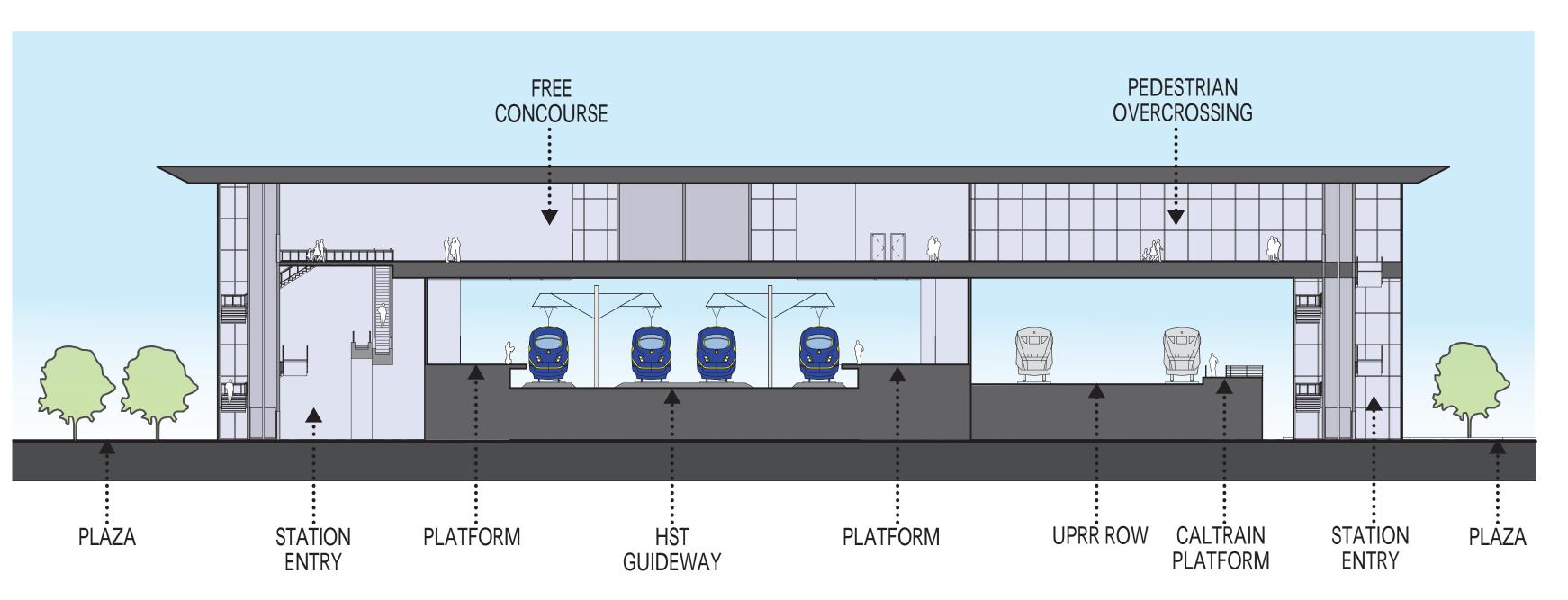
TRENCH STATION



AERIAL STATION



AT-GRADE STATION

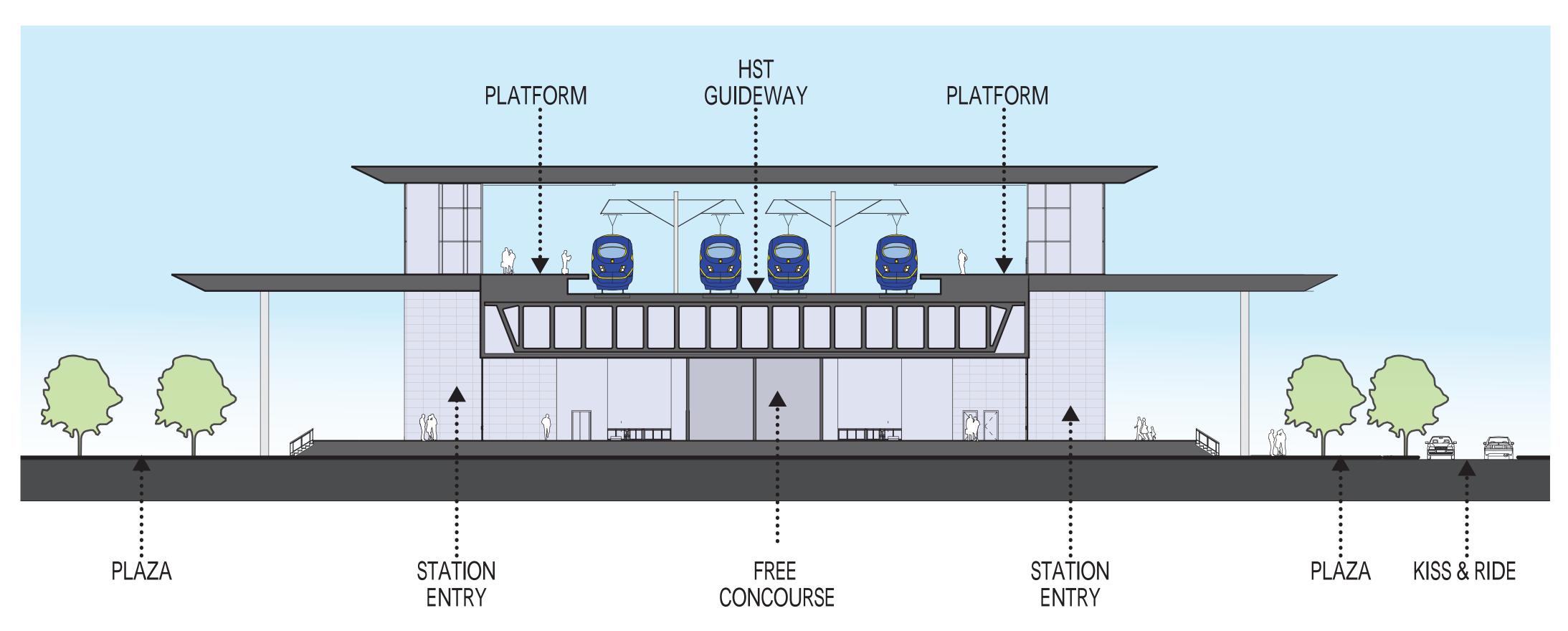


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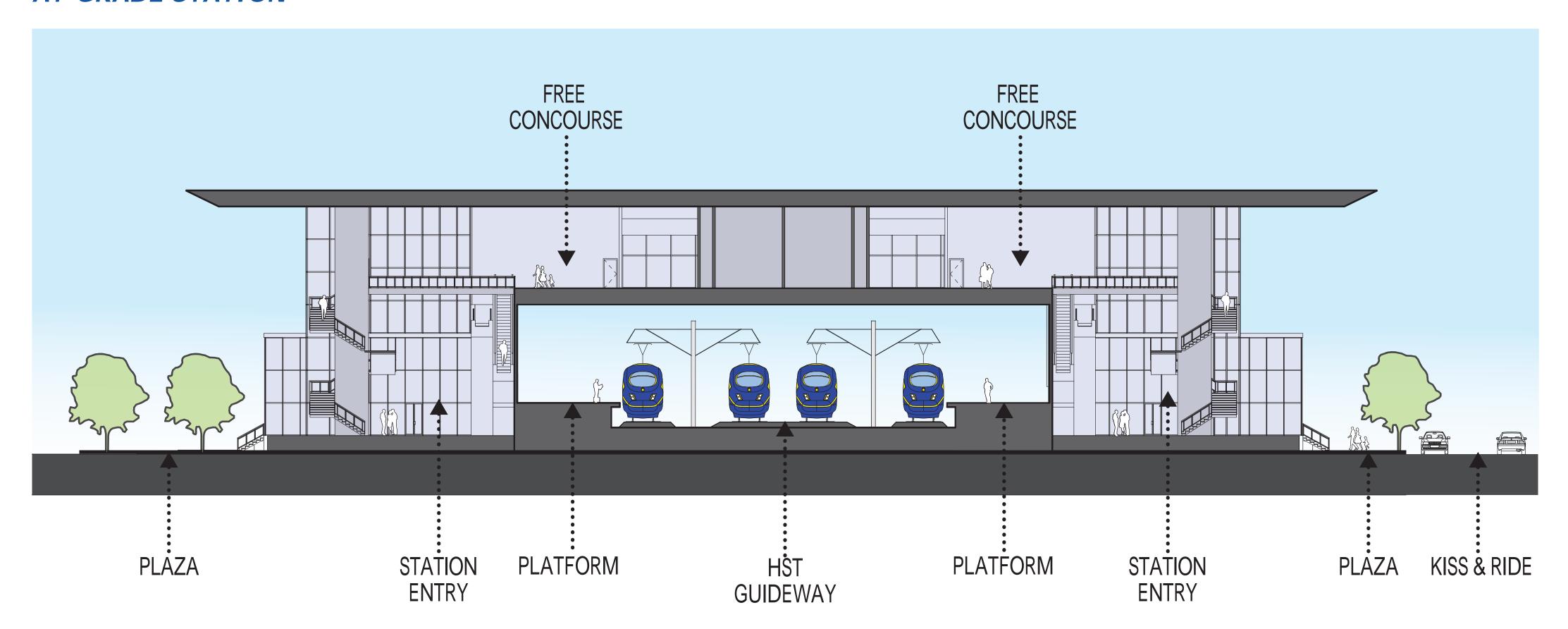


EAST GILROY STATION-DESIGN OPTIONS

AERIAL STATION



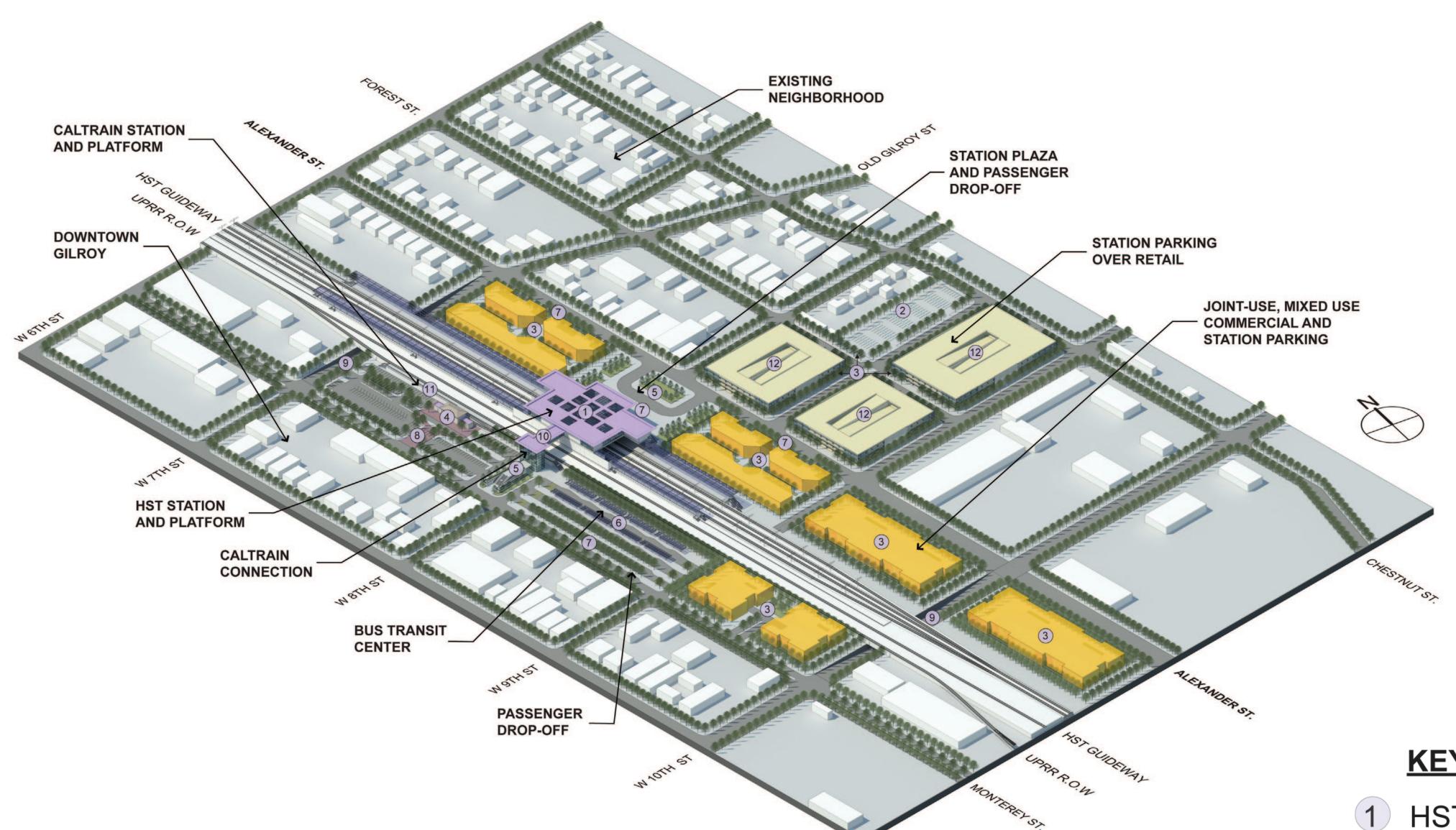
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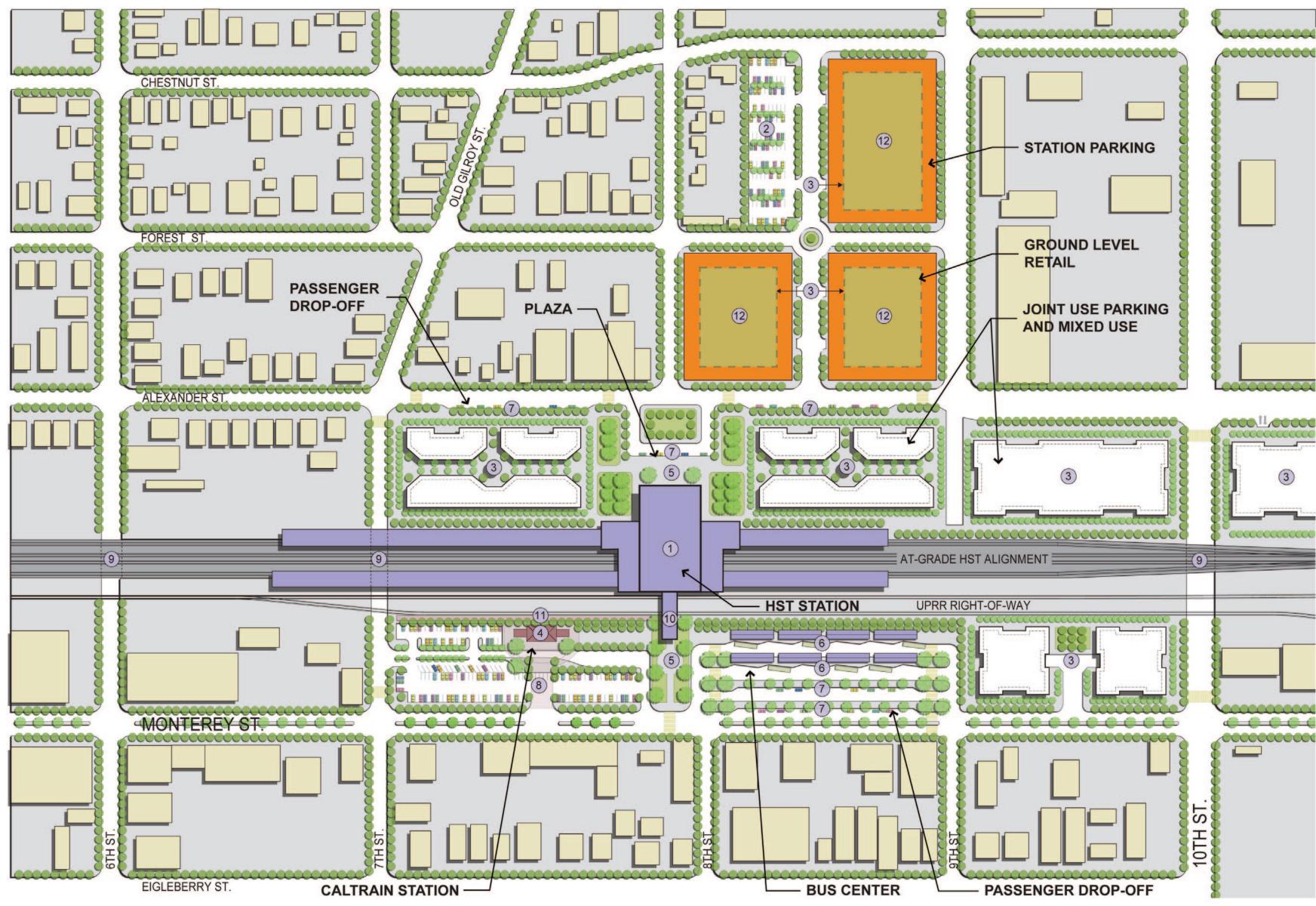


Downtown Gilroy Station Land Use and Parking Concepts (At-Grade)



DOWNTOWN GILROY HIGH SPEED TRAIN STATION CONCEPT

AT-GRADE OPTION - BIRD'S EYE VIEW



KEY NOTES

- HST STATION
- HST STATION PARKING
- **FUTURE JOINT-USE** PARKING + RETAIL
- CALTRAIN DEPOT
- PLAZA
- **BUS TRANSIT CENTER**
- KISS & RIDE
- **EXISTING PARKING**
- **UNDERPASS**
- PEDESTRIAN OVERCROSSING
- CALTRAIN PLATFORM
- HST STATION PARKING OVER GROUND LEVEL RETAIL

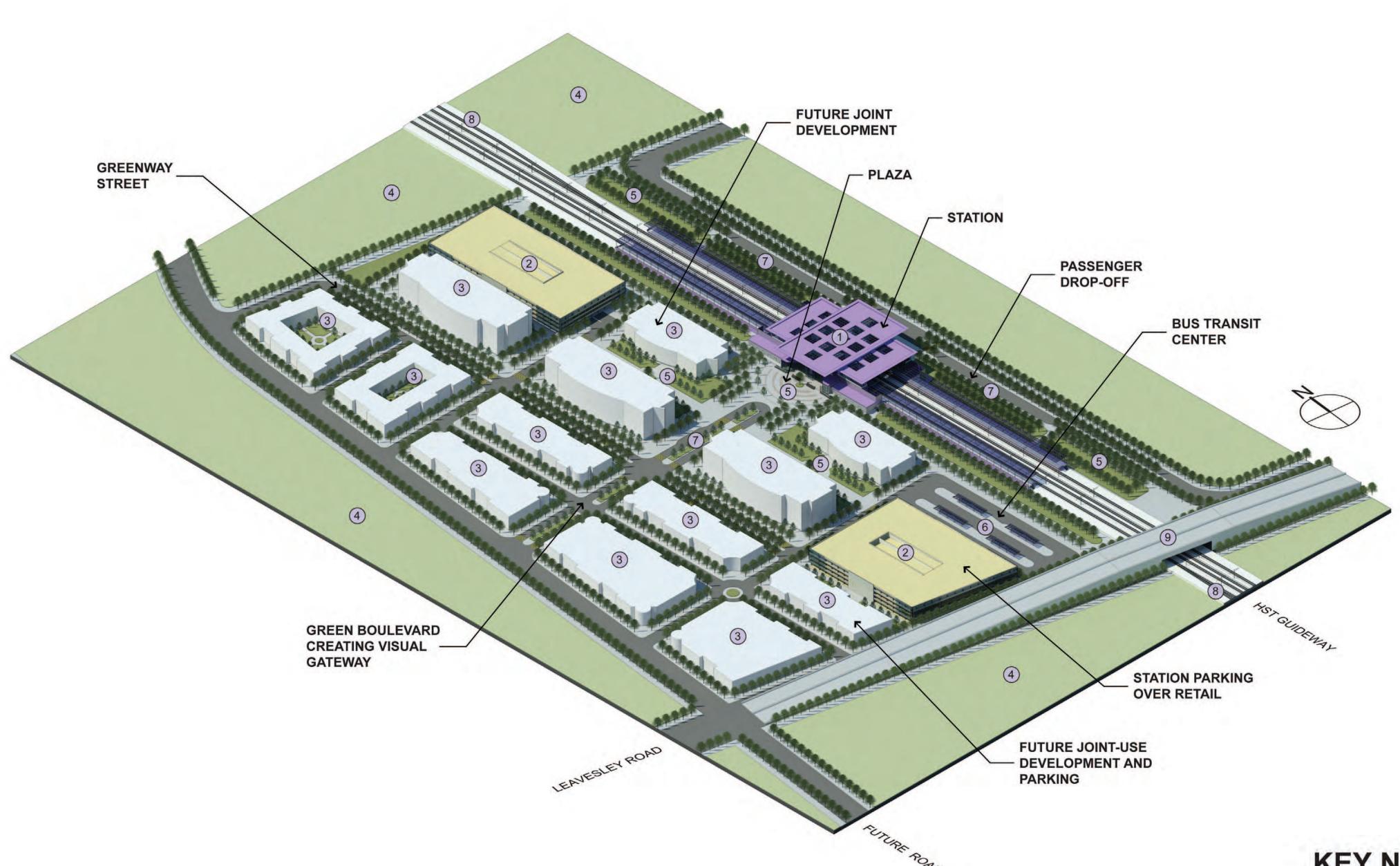


DOWNTOWN GILROY HIGH SPEED TRAIN STATION CONCEPT AT-GRADE OPTION - SITE PLAN

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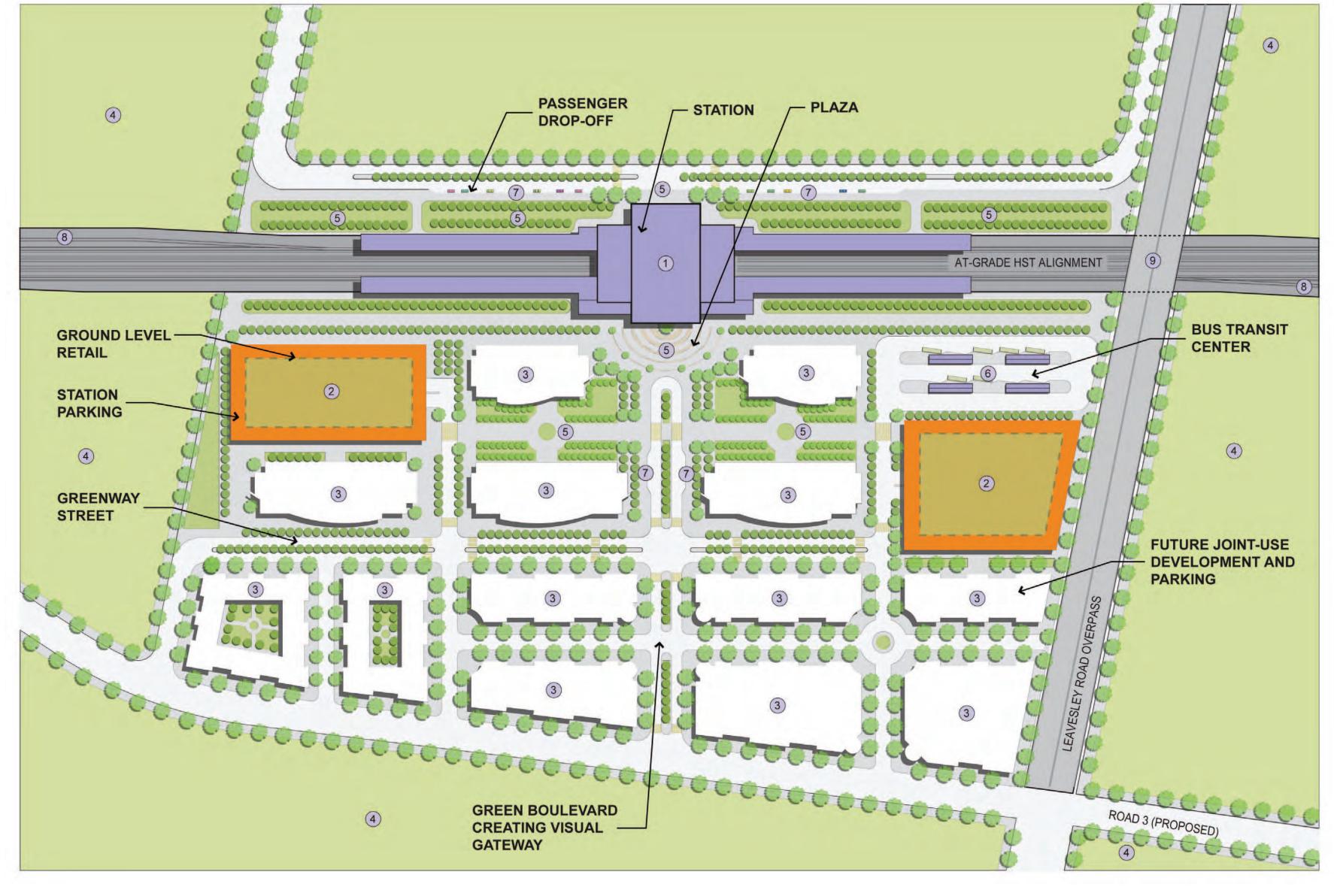


East Gilroy Station Land Use and Parking Concepts (At-Grade)



EAST GILROY HIGH SPEED TRAIN STATION CONCEPT

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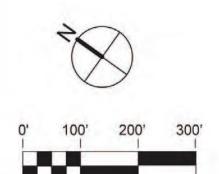
KEY NOTES

- 1 HST STATION
- 2 HST STATION PARKING OVER GROUND LEVEL RETAIL
- 3 FUTURE JOINT-USE DEVELOPMENT
- 4 AGRICULTURAL LAND
- 5 PLAZA
- 6 BUS TRANSIT CENTER
- 7 KISS & RIDE
- 8 HST STORAGE TRACK
- 9 OVERPASS



AT-GRADE OPTION - SITE PLAN

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HOW TO PARTICIPATE

- Talk to high-speed train staff
- Fill in and drop off comment cards
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NEXT STEPS

